

## Core Neighborhoods and

## **Extraterritorial (ET) Areas**

Fargo City Commission Informational Meeting Wednesday, October 20, 2021 12:00pm



#### **PRESENTATION OUTLINE**

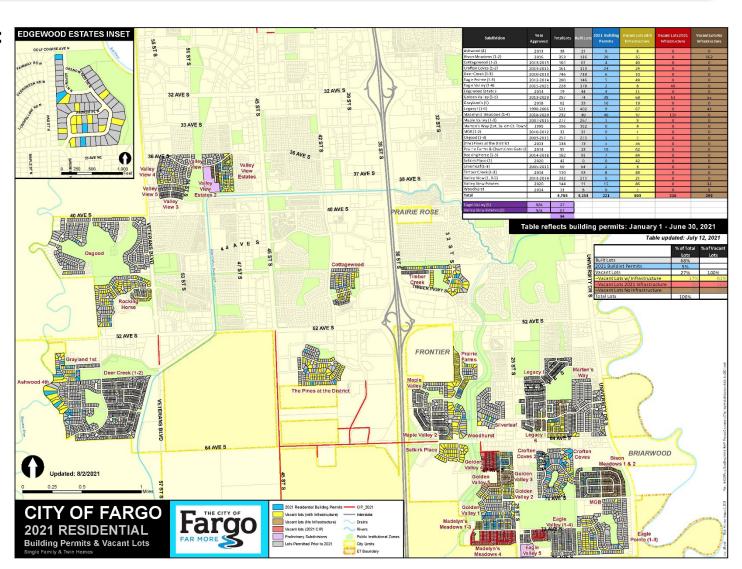
- Introduction and Background
- Core Neighborhoods Plan
- ET Areas and Future Growth
  - Flood Protection
  - Utility Planning
- Case Studies
  - Southwest Master Storm Water Plan
  - Commerce on I-29 Addition
- Fiscal Impact Study (Baker Tilly)
- Next Steps



#### REDEVELOPMENT & DEVELOPMENT GUIDES

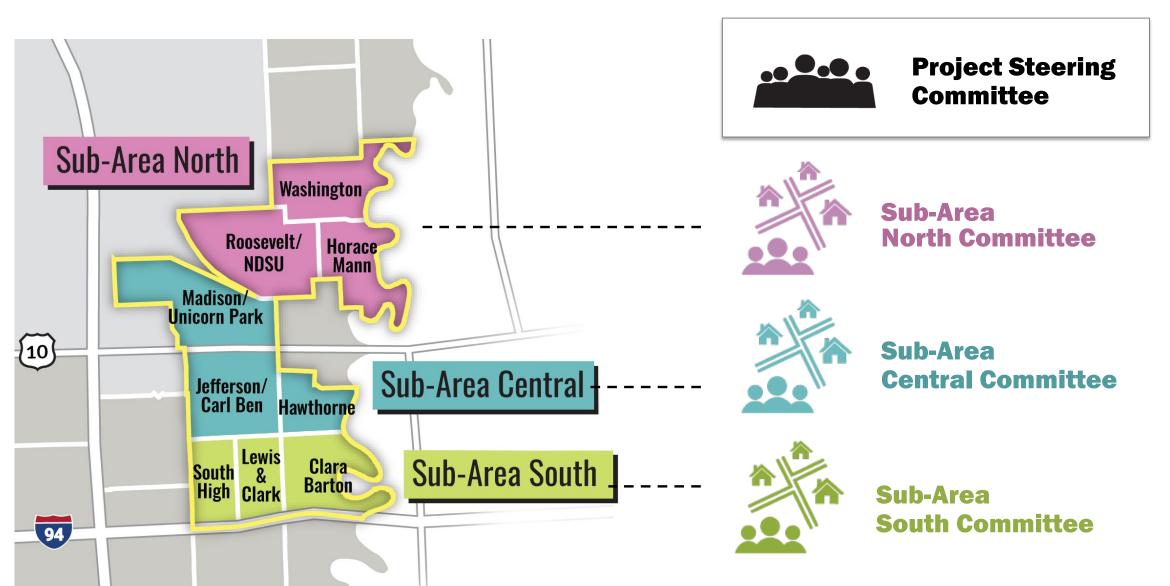
#### Tools we have today to manage and plan for growth:

- Century Code Reference Home Rule Charter
- Growth Plan Adopted in 2007
- GO2030 Comprehensive Plan
  – Adopted in 2011
- LDC (Subdivision and Zoning) Adopted in 1998
- Floodplain Management
- Utility Service Planning
- Coordination with Fargo & West Fargo School Districts and Fargo Park District
- Available lot map to keep inventory on where market and housing starts occur and to plan utilities





#### CORE NEIGHBORHOODS STUDY AREAS





#### CORE NEIGHBORHOODS - DEFINING A HEALTHY NEIGHBORHOOD

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#### **MARKET**

Who is living in the neighborhood and who would like to live in the neighborhood

#### The market is strong

Demand for housing is in balance with or exceeds the supply; prices are rising and keeping pace with inflation

#### Healthy Neighborhoods

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#### **IMAGE**

Perception of the neighborhood by nonresidents; shaped in part by neighborhood's self-image

#### Neighborhood **image** is positive

Signals sent by conditions communicate pride and instill confidence

#### **CAPACITY**

Ability and willingness of residents to manage home and neighborhood

#### Resident capacity is high

Residents actively manage neighborhood issues and engage each other and wider stakeholders in constructive ways

#### **CONDITIONS**

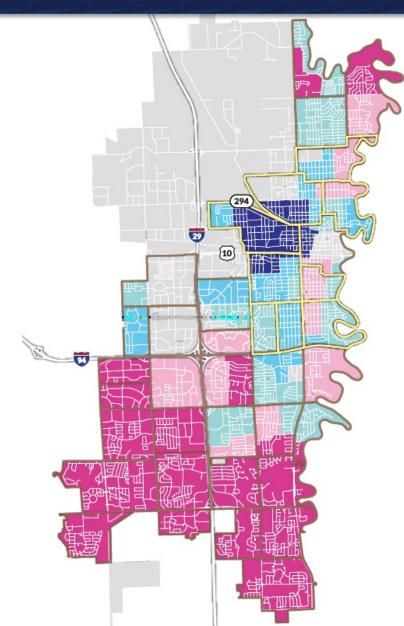
Level of care and investment committed by residents of the neighborhood; level of infrastructure upkeep committed by public sector

#### Housing and neighborhood physical **conditions** are good

Residential blocks are appealing to potential buyers and renters from outside the neighborhood

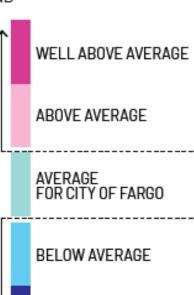


#### CORE NEIGHBORHOODS - DISPARITY IN MARKET DEMAND



#### MARKET TYPOLOGY BY BLOCK GROUP

LEVEL OF DEMAND



WELL BELOW AVERAGE



#### CORE NEIGHBORHOODS - ESSENTIAL TAKEAWAYS

### CORE NEIGHBORHOODS TOOLKIT

















Neighborhood Leadership & Engagement Tools



Housing Reinvestment Tools



Public Infrastructure Investment Tools

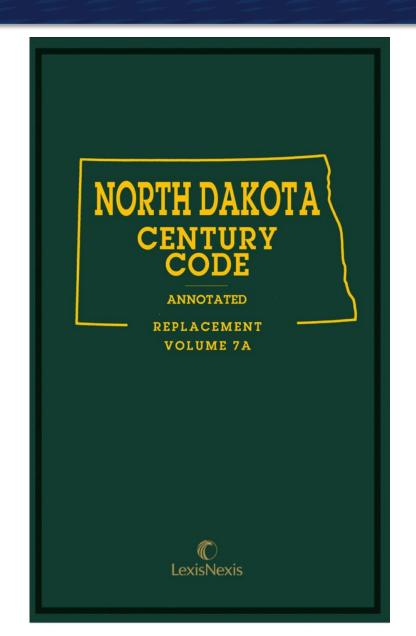


Public Health & Safety Tools



#### **ET AREAS AND FUTURE GROWTH**

- What is an Extraterritorial Jurisdiction area (ET)?
  - It is a North Dakota law that allows cities to exercise land use control to plan for future expansion, maintain orderly growth and contain sprawl
- Purpose of ET Area To protect future ROW and utility needs
- ET area zoning and subdivision control only
  - Primarily zoned AG (Agriculture Zoning District)
- Past ND Century Code ET law changes
  - 1975 Originally established for up to 2 miles
  - 1997 Changed to allow for up to 4 miles
  - 2007 Reduced back to 2 miles
  - 2009 Changed to 2 mile sole jurisdiction with an additional 2 miles of joint jurisdiction
- The majority of the south side ET was extended in 1998
- Last Commission action for extending ET area in 2006

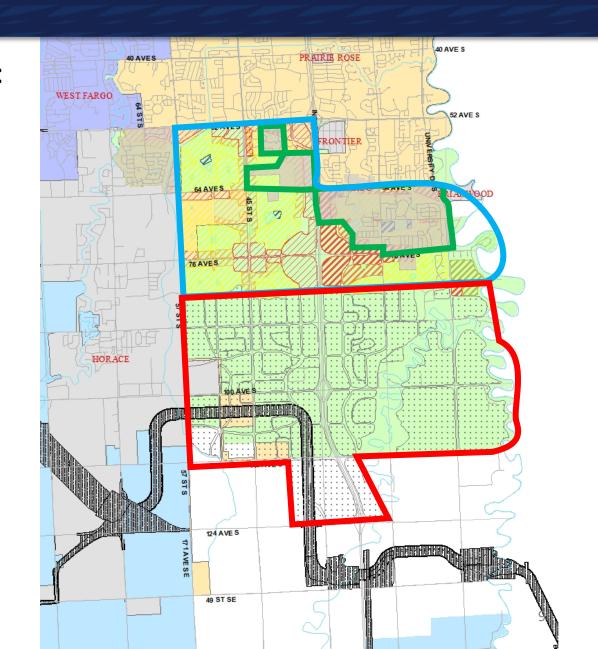




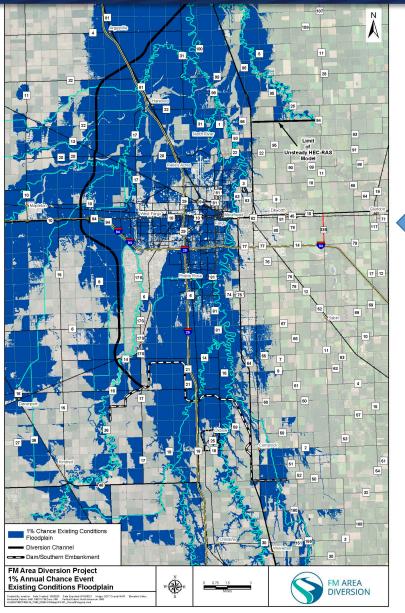
#### ET AREAS AND FUTURE GROWTH

#### Comprehensive Growth Management Strategy:

- Extraterritorial Jurisdiction (ET)
  - Zoning/Land Use Authority
  - Building Permitting
  - Floodplain Management
- 2007 Growth Plan
  - Tier 1 (0-25yrs) and Tier 2 (25-50yrs)
    - Development since 2007
- Growth Plan Update
  - Land Use Master Planning
    - Urban Centers and Mixed uses
  - Utility Master Planning
    - Storm Water, Sanitary Sewer, Water
  - Transportation Master Planning
    - Corridors, Bike/Ped, Vehicle

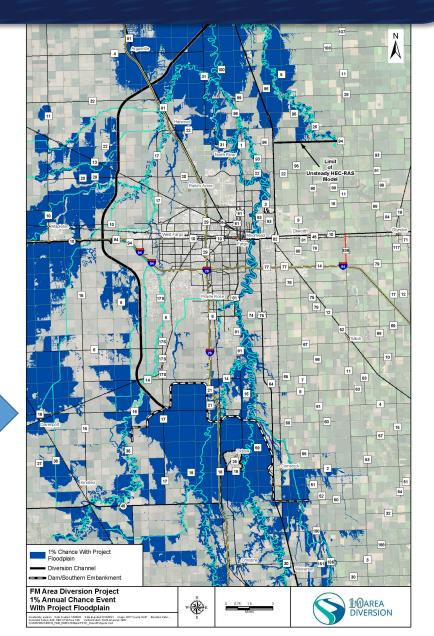




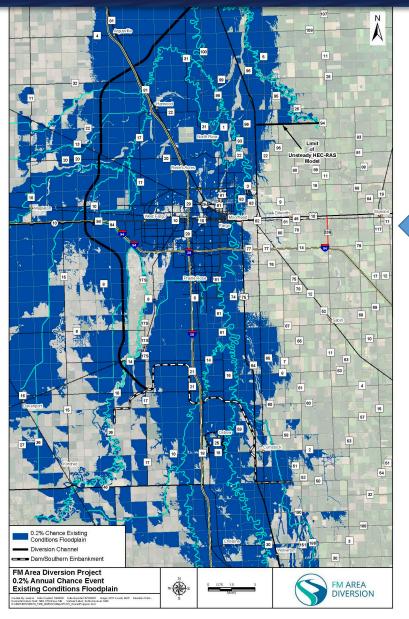


Existing Conditions 100-Year Floodplain

With Project 100-Year Floodplain

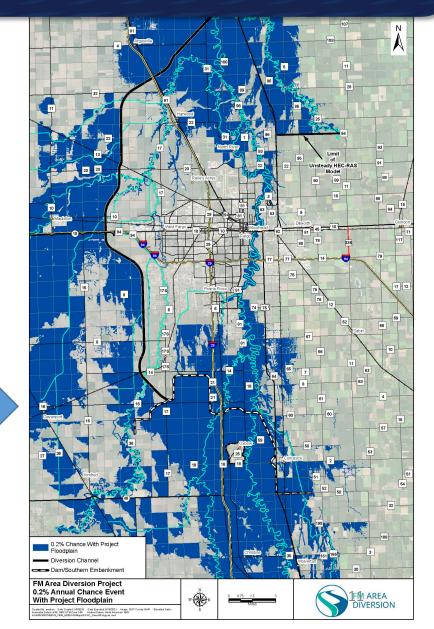






Existing Conditions 500-Year Floodplain

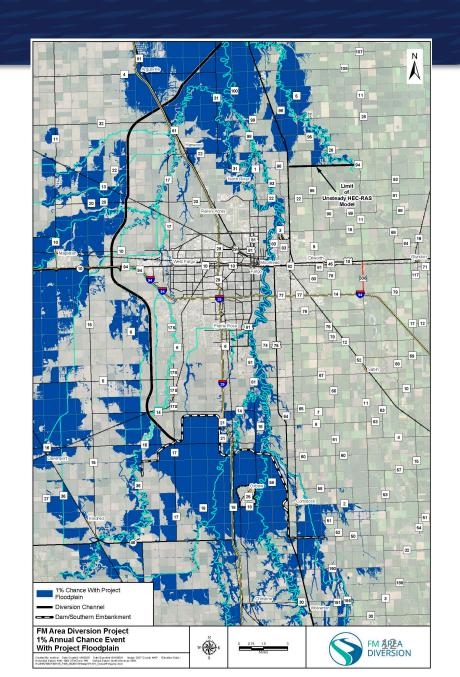
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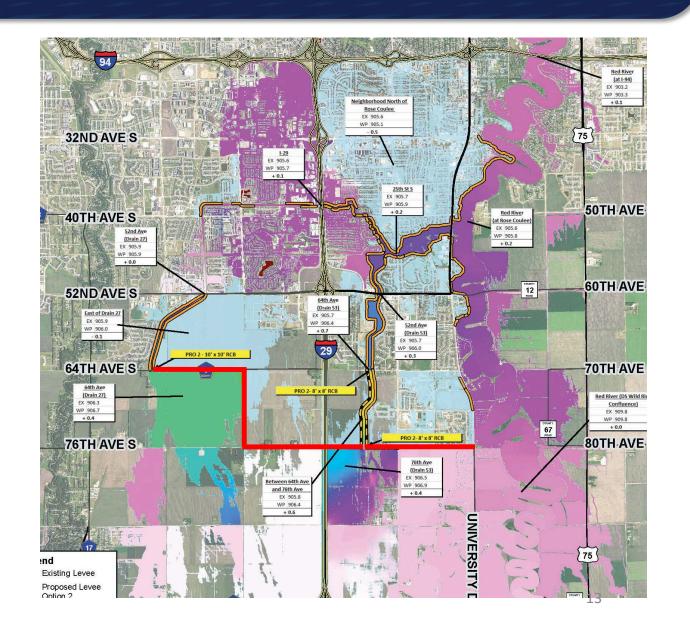
#### Post FM Diversion Completion

- As FM Diversion gets closer to completion, decision will be needed on appropriate development standards.
- Example of considerations for future discussions
  - Remaining flood risks from 100yr & 500yr floods
  - Levees within growth areas
  - Appropriate elevations for structures
  - LOMR-f required in residual 100yr floodplain areas
  - Floodproof basements requirements



## Interim Period Prior to FM Diversion Completion:

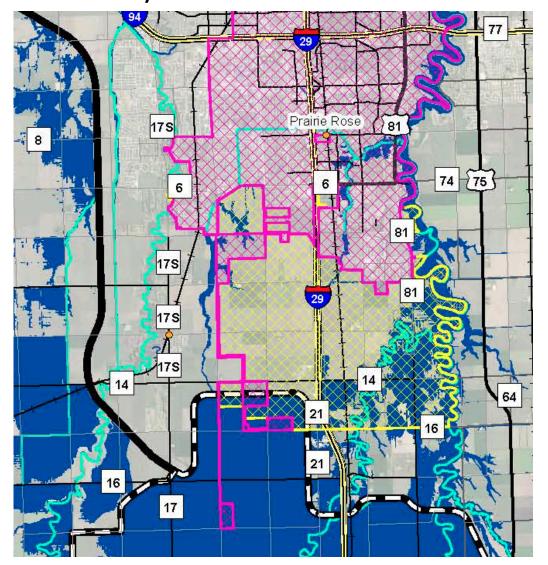
- Growth Areas
  - Based on allowable floodplain impacts per State Policy



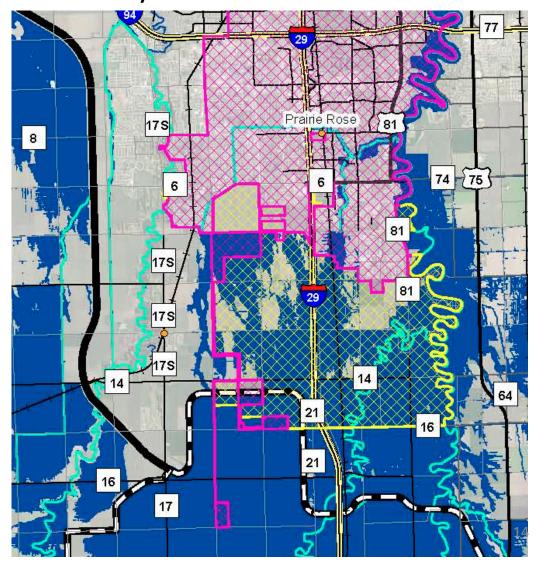


#### ET GROWTH AREAS VS. FUTURE FLOOD IMPACTS

100 year – Post FM Diversion



500 year – Post FM Diversion





#### HISTORY OF SYSTEM-WIDE UTILITY MASTER PLANNING

#### **Wastewater Utility**

2005: Collection System Master Plan (CSMP)

2016: Southside Wastewater Planning Update

2019: Southwest Wastewater Planning Update

#### **Water Utility**

2005: Distribution System Master Plan (DSMP)

**2016:** Southside Water Planning Update

2019: Southwest Water Planning Update

Why Master Plan? Proactive planning accommodates orderly growth and helps to identify cost-effective solutions for critical infrastructure needs.



#### Driving Forces for 2005, 2016 and 2019 Master Planning

## Wastewater Utility 2005

- Aging Infrastructure
- Wet Weather Flows
- Population Growth
- Regulations

#### 2016

- Potential Regionalization (West Fargo, Horace, & Mapleton)
- Expanded Oxbow Service (Hickson and Bakke)
- Flow Changes
- Population Growth / Changing Growth Patterns
- System Operational and Service Area Changes
  - 45<sup>th</sup> Street Interceptor Capacity & WSI Future Use

#### 2019

- Plans for Regional Storm Water System (Lake Fargo)
- Progress on F-M Diversion Project
- Expanded Wastewater Service Request from City of Horace
- Providing water and wastewater system infrastructure recommendations for major corridors
  - Confirm no conflicts with Regional Storm Water System

#### **Water Utility**

#### 2005

- Aging Infrastructure
- Water Delivery to System Extents
- Population Growth
- Cass Rural Water District (CRWD) Interaction

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#### 2016

- Potential Regionalization (West Fargo & Horace)
- Water Demand Changes
- Population Growth / Changing Growth Patterns
- Expanding and Redevelopment of Land Use
- New and Expanded Service Areas (West Fargo and CRWD)



#### LARGE WASTEWATER PROJECTS FROM MASTER PLAN





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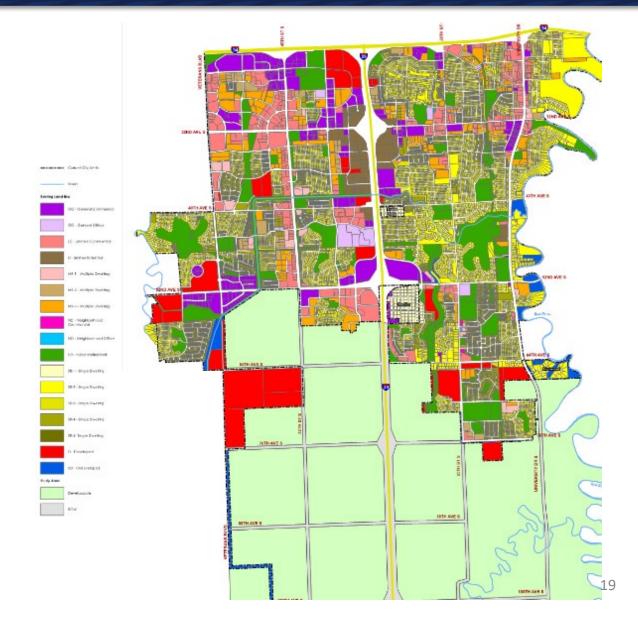




#### UTILITY MASTER PLANNING BY LAND USE

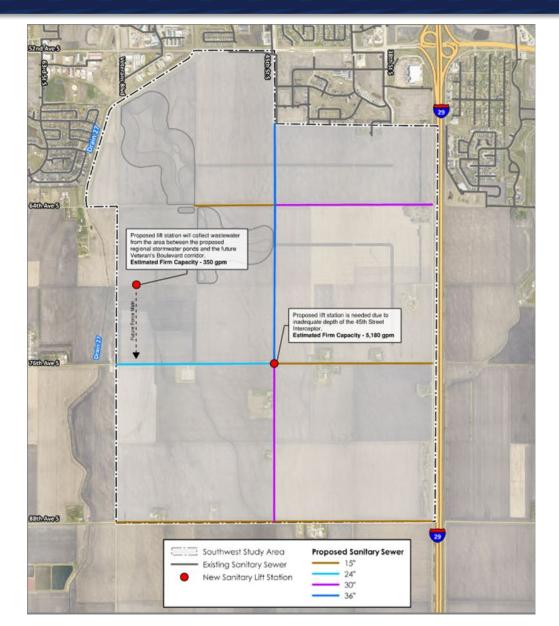
#### **SOUTH OF I-94**

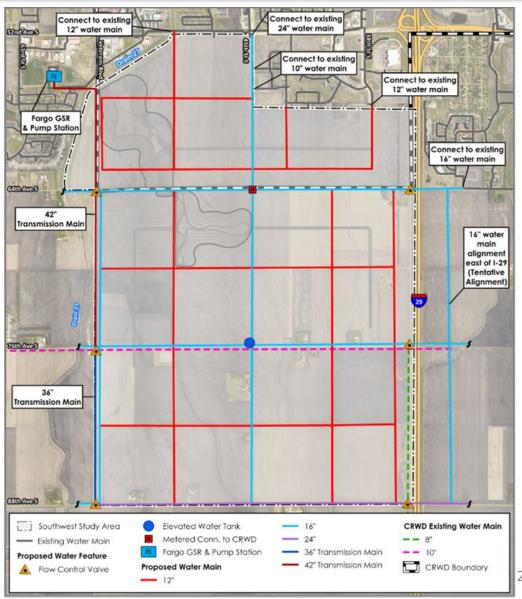
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С	Commercial	20%
I	Industrial	2%
M-H R	Medium - High Density Residential	15%
P/I	Public Institutional	12%
L-M R	Low - Medium Density Residential	38%
D	Developable (AG & Zoning Unknown)	10%
UD	Un-Developable (AG & Zoning Unknown)	4%
Total		100%





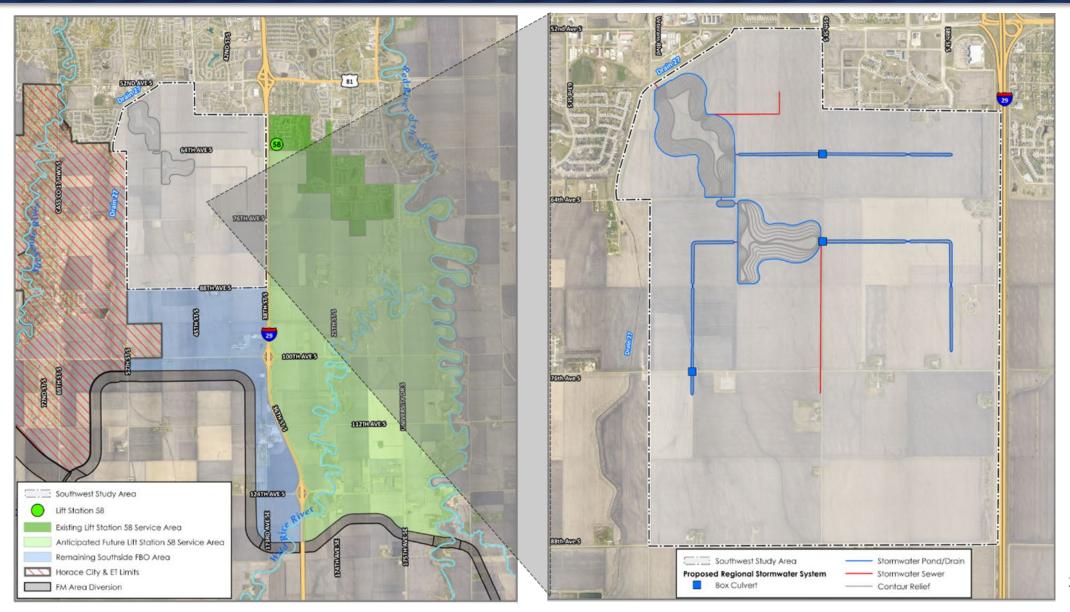
#### 2019 SOUTHWEST INFRASTRUCTURE MASTER PLANNING





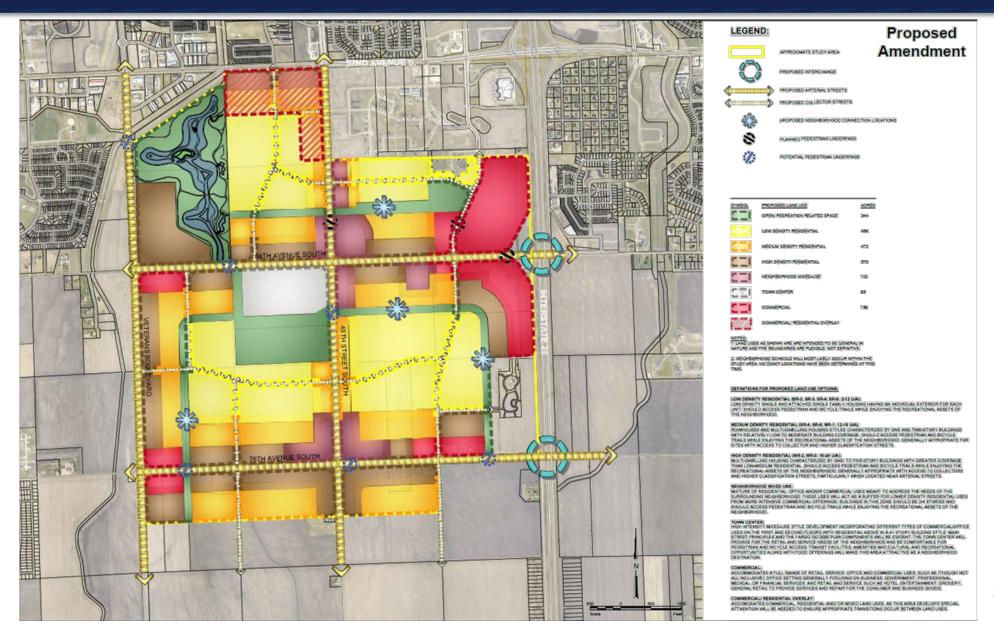


#### 2019 SOUTHWEST INFRASTRUCTURE MASTER PLANNING





#### 2021 AMENDMENT TO THE 2007 GROWTH PLAN





#### **COMMERCE ON I-29 ADDITION**

#### Case study – 100<sup>th</sup> Avenue S and I-29

- Platted and zoned (2014)
  - Staff recommendation
  - Commission vote
  - 7 years after 2007 Growth Plan approval
- Developer constraints
  - No city sanitary sewer service
  - No city storm sewer service
  - No city maintenance schedule
- Post development challenges
  - Platted lot splitting
  - Exceeds constructed utility capacity (sanitary sewer)
    - Temporary utility infrastructure

64<sup>TH</sup> AVE S VATER TOWER



#### DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES — REQUESTS COMING FORWARD

#### **Developer Statements:**

- No industrial lots available
- No multi-family lots available
- Business plans show that they need to "leap frog"
- Cost of land vs cost to service land
- Less expensive land is more attractive to their business plan
- Less expensive land is available elsewhere in the metro area
- Since 2014 Approximately 390 acres of zoned industrial land developed within city limits



#### **FACTORS FOR ORDERLY GROWTH**

- Be stewards of public resources and charged with protecting health, safety and welfare
- Expectations are set forth for area property owners and market interests
- Conserving future Rights-of-Way and Utility needs
- Maintenance and management needs are accounted for
- Manage deferred special assessments
- Recognize infrastructure plans may impact multiple jurisdictions
- Coordinate 5 year plan with school districts and Park District



#### FISCAL IMPACT STUDY

- 10 year plan of new property tax growth
- Forecast of service demand
  - Anticipated revenue/expenditures
  - Anticipated staffing requirements
- Identifying appropriate land use
- Productivity of land use based on property tax
- Cost of capital infrastructure replacement



#### NEXT STEPS — FOCUS TO 'GET AHEAD'

#### Conclusions

- Growth Plan update 2022-2023
- Land Development Code (multi-year rewrite)
- Questions for future
  - Protect long term against 500yr flood
  - Common sense utility extension vs temporary throw away infrastructure
  - Orderly growth that preserves ET areas for highest and best long term use
  - Okay to say no, future growth will happen in all areas